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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: THAI MFA DELEGATION COMPLETES 20 HOUR VISIT TO VIENTIANE

1. THAI CHARGE D'AFFAIRES MEDHI IAMSUDHA TOLD EMBOFF MAY 5 THAT UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE IN THE THAI MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WONG PHONNIKON LED A NINE MAN THAI MFA DELEGATION IN A 20 HOUR VISIT TO VIENTIANE MAY 4 TO MAY 5. IN ADDITION TO ATTENDING A CEREMONY MARKING THE COMPLETION OF A THAI AID PROJECT, MEDHI SAID WONG MADE A "COURTESY CALL" ON CHEF DE CABINET OF LPDR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SOUBANH SRITHIRATH AND MET WITH VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATS IN VIENTIANE. ACCORDING TO MEDHI, THAI/VIETNAMESE TALKS ARE TO BE HELD IN VIENTIANE IN ABOUT TWO OR THREE WEEKS. MEDHI SAID WONG WILL HEAD THE THAI DELEGATION TO DISCUSS AVIATION ISSUES AND "OTHER POLITICAL MATTERS". MEDHI HINTED THAT WONG WILL DISCUSS EXCHANGING AMBASSADORS
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WITH THE VIETNAMESE. HE SPECULATED, HOWEVER, THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT ESTABLISH AN EMBASSY IN HANOI UNTIL THE UNITED STATES HAD DONE SO.

2. LPDR PARTY NEWSPAPER "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" REPORTED MAY 6 THAT WONG VISITED VIENTIANE IN ORDER TO ATTEND A CERRMONY MARKING THE COMPLETION OF THE 8 MILLION BAHT

1975 THAI AID AGREEMENT WITH LAOS. THE NEWSPAPER REPORTED THAT WONG CEREMONIALLY TURNED OVER THE LAST SHIPMENT OF PIGLETS, ANIMAL FEED AND MEDICINE FROM THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT TO KHAMBOU SOUMISAY, CHEF DE CABINET OF THE NATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE. ALSO ATTENDING THE CEREMONY ON THE LAO SIDE WERE SOUBANH SRITHIRATH, KHAMPHET PHENG MUONG, CHEF DE CABINET OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, AND OTHER NATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OFFICIALS. WHILE IN VIENTIANE, THE PAPER REPORTED, WONG PAID HIS RESPECTS TO THE LATE SITHONE KOMMADAM AT THE LPDR SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY AND MET WITH SOUBANH IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

3. MEDHI TOLD EMBOFF THAT THE THAI GOVERNMENT CONTEMPLATES NO NEW AID PROJECTS TO THE LPDR AT THIS TIME.
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